Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 15 Aug 2021 until 23:59 on Monday 16 Aug 2021

Forecast Issued on Sunday 15 Aug 2021 at 03:22 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence in forecast for Sunday, lower confidence in the amount of showers likely to break out and how far south they penetrate inland. Although it looks quite settled for the early part of next week, cloud amounts will be hard to forecast.

Headline for Sunday 15 Aug 2021: Bright spells but a few showers developing and freshening northwesterly winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 15 Aug 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain showers	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
10%	10%	20%	30%	30%	10%

Forecast for Sunday 15 Aug 2021

Weather: A few clear spells overnight but more in the way of cloud for northern ranges across Argyll and Lochaber. A bright start to the day and staying mainly dry for the much of the morning with sunny spells, a few showers will start to move across the northern hills of Lochaber in the afternoon. One or two of the showers will become heavy for a time but in the freshening breeze they should move through quite quickly. Drier and brighter for hills further east and south especially around the Trossachs and Calander.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%, generally clear tops but patches of low cloud will develop around showers and for higher tops particularly around Lochaber and Ben Nevis. Further south tops will more likely to remain clear around Arrochar and Loch Lomond.

Visibility: Low cloud that develops around showers will generally be above 600m and some breaks will still appear at times. In the afternoon cloud may lower and become a little thicker at times for the Lochaber ranges. Visibility below any low cloud will be good with far reaching views but will dip to a few kilometres for a time in showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	13/16 W	16/19 W	18/23 W	22/30 W	22/28 NW	23/29 NW	22/28 NW
900	10/13 W	10/14 W	12/17 W	19/26 W	16/22 NW	16/22 NW	14/19 NW
600	11/13 SW	10/13 W	14/20 SW	17/24 W	14/20 W	14/19 NW	10/15 NW
300	3/4 W	6/9 NW	8/12 W	13/20 W	10/16 NW	10/17 NW	10/16 NW
Glen	3/9 W	6/10 W	10/18 W	12/22 W	9/18 NW	7/15 NW	7/14 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	4/0	4/-1	5/-0	5/-1	4/-1	3/-2	2/-4
900	7/4	7/4	8/5	8/4	7/4	6/2	5/1
600	9/6	9/7	10/7	10/7	10/6	9/5	7/4
300	11/10	12/10	12/11	13/10	12/10	11/9	10/8
Glen	12/12	14/13	15/13	15/13	14/13	13/12	12/10
Freezing Level*	2300m	2000m	2100m	1900m	1900m	1700m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Northwesterly winds will freshen during the day and will be gustier around any passing showers. Feeling a little cooler than of late.

Forecast for Monday 16 Aug 2021
Weather: A mainly dry night and morning with a few bright spells but rain and cloud spreading across from the west during the afternoon, eastern hills staying dry until late afternoon.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly 15 mph with gusts 25 mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90% in the morning, some lower cloud affecting western ranges around the Islands and Lochaber by late morning and thickening and lowering during the afternoon.

Visibility: Excellent visibility around the ranges during the morning but visibility reducing from lunchtime as the afternoon rain approaches from the west. Broken low cloud bases likely to be above 500m for the Lochaber ranges and Glencoe, futher south and east cloud will be more scattered from 600m and above.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 9 rising to 15 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 3 rising to 9 Celsius.
Freezing level: above the summits.

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